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**MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS, DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT
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**SUBJECT: DCMC Memorandum No. 97-68, Class Deviation from Federal Acquisition
Regulation (FAR) 4.201 and the Department of Defense FAR Supplement (DFARS)
204.202(2) regarding Distribution of Contract Modifications (POLICY)**

This is a class deviation being distributed as a POLICY memorandum. It expires October 1, 1998. Target Audience: All Administrative Contracting Officers (ACOs).

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) at the DFAS Columbus Center will have a functional reorganization later this year that will consolidate eleven different paying offices into three. This will require changing the paying office for approximately 390,000 contracts. Pursuant to the class deviation authority granted by the Director, Defense Procurement to the Director, Defense Logistics Agency by memorandum dated October 2, 1996, and further delegated to me on October 17, 1996, I authorize a class deviation from the contract modification distribution requirements of FAR 4.201 and DFARS 204.202. Specifically, this class deviation permits the Defense Contract Management Command (DCMC) to use paperless modifications which will appear as "ARZ" modifications in the Mechanization of Contract Administration Services system. These modifications will systematically change the payment offices and will not be distributed. Standardized letters will be used to notify affected parties of the contract payment office changes, rather than issuing individual Standard Forms 30, Amendment of Solicitation/Modification of Contract, for each contract with full FAR and DFARS required distribution. All of the standardized letters will be signed by an ACO at DCMC Dayton, i.e., Ms. Kathleen Lehman. DFAS Columbus Center has agreed to distribute the standardized letters to affected parties. This deviation will not have a significant impact on the public. Authority to use the class deviation is approved for the period July 31, 1997 to September 30, 1998.

After September 30, 1998, should additional contracts be received by the Contract Administration Office that identify the wrong payment office, a formal contract modification will be required to correct the payment office. Any questions may be directed to Mr. Steven W. Swart at DSN 427-3389 or (703) 767-3389.


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